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year and at the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, on October 31, 1922, he was elevated to the rank of Right Eminent Grand Commander, being the nineteenth member of Boston Commandery to hold this distinguished position.

Possibly we have left out some of the many important positions Right Eminent Sir James Stone Blake has filled in Masonic circles in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. In seeking information at the Temple, we asked a prominent Mason if there was any other title we should add to the list. His reply was "yes! Jimmie is a d—d good fellow." This, somewhat crude, but none-the-less expressive statement will be heartily endorsed by thousands in the Order.

THE BUILDERS

The following Sir Knights, whose names appear in this column, have proposed one or more candidates so far this year, whose petitions have been accepted. We hope to see the list grow rapidly.

Em. Sir Frederick H. Briggs
Sir Harry Albert Bonelli
Sir William P. Bullard
Sir Edmond S. Childs
Sir Frank O. Clark
Sir Arthur N. Hale
Sir Charles M. Porter
Sir Dennie P. Small
Sir John A. Walker
Sir George T. Wiley

APPOINTED GRAND WARDER

Em. Sir Jesse Edwin Ames, past commander of Boston Commandery, has received the appointment of Grand Warder of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

BOSTON COMMANDERY BOWLING LEAGUE

Sir Knight Kenneth Campbell, who has been chosen to organize the bowlers of Boston Commandery, with a view to arrange an "Inter Commandery Bowling League," is meeting with marked success.

Of the twenty-four Sir Knights enrolled at the October Conclave, fifteen attended the first roll-off, as a preliminary to organizing teams. The first five making the best average of three scores, were placed on Team No. 1, who are to hold a position on this team as long as their average is kept up. In other words, Team No. 1 is to be composed of those attaining the highest average score in the future rollings to be held each Thursday evening at the Y. D. alleys, 200 Huntington avenue.

Each team will have a captain, who must qualify for a position on his team. It is thought this will create a good-natured rivalry among the bowlers, as there will always be the desire to get on Team No. 1, which will be the competing team in case other commanderies challenge. Harold W. Martin has been selected as secretary and will keep the rating of each bowler. Sir Knight Porter, who has the highest average, will assist Sir Knight Campbell, and take charge in his absence.

The first roll-off was held at the Hawley Street Alleys on Oct. 26th, with the following averages of three strings, arranged in teams as the ratings now stand:—

	Average
Team No. 1:—	
Sir Knight Porter	98 1-3
Sir Knight Fallen	96 1-3
Sir Knight Parkens	92
Sir Knight Coles	90
Sir Knight Page	89 1-3
Team No. 2:—	
Sir Knight Grabert	88 2-3
Sir Knight Echenberger	82
Sir Knight Campbell	81 2-3
Sir Knight Chapman	80
Sir Knight Bates	79 2-3
Team No. 3:—	
Sir Knight McNight	78 2-3
Sir Knight Wilson, Jr.	78 1-3
Sir Knight Dennett	76 2-3
Sir Knight Weiler	70 1-3
Sir Knight Giles	62 2-3

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Right Eminent James Stone Blake is a member of Columbian Lodge, A. F. & A. M., is a past high priest of St. Paul's R. A. C., and has served as deputy grand high priest of the First Capitular District; has been for many years master of ceremonies of the Massachusetts Order of High Priesthood; is a past thrice illustrious master of Boston Council, R. & S. M.; is a past commander of Boston Commandery, K. T., and a past president of Massachusetts and Rhode Island Association of Knights Templars Commanders.

In the Scottish Rite, he is a past thrice potent master of Boston-Lafayette Lodge of Perfection, and has received the Honorary 33° in the Supreme Council, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U. S. A. He is a past potentate of Aleppo Temple Mystic Shrine and an honorary member of the Imperial Council.

In the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars, after holding the office of Grand Lecturer, he was, in 1917, elected to the office of Grand Junior Warden. He has steadily advanced in line each

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ENCOURAGE FRIENDLY CONTESTS

Now that the season for golf is practically over, the activities of our energetic members are finding expression in other fields. The suggestion of a Bowling League met with instant approval and the Boston Commandery Bowling League has become a reality. Much interest is being manifested and regular teams are bowling each week, each Knight striving to qualify for Team No. 1 in anticipation of future challenges from teams of other commanderies.

Boston Commandery Golf Team has twice won in the golf contests, and has the present possession of the perpetual Golf Trophy, which it will endeavor to hold against all comers, when the weather admits of other contests.

It would be a generous act if some Sir Knight or group of Knights would contribute a Bowling Cup, as a perpetual trophy to be competed for in a similar manner as the golf contests have been carried out during the fall. This friendly rivalry between commanderies has much to commend it, apart from the prestige that comes to the commandery holding the cups.

THE OCTOBER CONCLAVE

The leading feature of the October Conclave was the excellent work in the Red Cross by the officers of St. Albans Commandery, No. 3, of Portland, Me. Eminent Sir Frank W. Richardson, with a full staff of officers and escorts to the number of thirty-eight Knights, were the guests of the guards of Boston Commandery during the day, and on invitation of Eminent Commander Briggs, exemplified a part of the Red Cross in a manner that reflected great credit to the fraters of the Pine Tree State.

Seldom, if ever, have we witnessed such an impressive interpretation of the Ritual. The work was so uniformly excellent that it held the close attention of the Sir Knights throughout the entire ceremony. The St. Albans Brass Quartet lent an additional charm to the work, their selections being appropriate and highly artistic in rendition.

The meeting was largely attended, after the opening and regular routine, the lines were formed (each guest being escorted by an officer of corresponding rank) for the banquet hall, where the excellent dinner was enlivened by the usual good music of Boston Commandery Band, which accompanied the generalissimo and captain general in singing the Commandery hymn with pleasing effect.

The visiting Sir Knights were received formally when work was resumed in the Commandery. Very Eminent Sir James Stone Blake was introduced by the Commander, who took occasion to say that this probably would be the last time the title Very Eminent would be bestowed upon him in Boston Commandery, for he would soon assume higher rank in the Grand Commandery. This was received with rounds of applause showing the high esteem in which Very Eminent Sir Blake is held by his brother Knights.

Following is a list of the officers of St. Albans Commandery taking part in the work:—

Commander, Eminent Sir Frank W. Richardson; Generalissimo, C. Clifford Bolton; Capt. General, Harry McLean; Senior Warden, William Lanner; Junior Warden, William E. Dunham, Jr.; Treas., Perley Dresser; Recorder, Arthur Lloyd; Prelate, C. Omer Porter; Standard Bearer, George Luckes; Sword Bearer, Leon Cummings; Warder, John Ayer; Banner Bearer, Lenwood Jordan; Beauseant Bearer, Jas. Fields; Capt. of the Guard, Ralph D. Brooks; Past Commanders, Em. Sirs Harold B. Eastman and Sidney P. Nash. St. Albans Brass Quartet, C. M. Bowles, W. Newbury, M. J. Chipman and O. S. Laubar.

GUARDS ENTERTAIN ST. ALBANS OFFICERS AND GUARDS

Amid the strains of "Hail, Hail, the Gang's All Here," the Eminent Commanders of Boston and St. Albans Commanderies were ushered into the dining room of the Quincy House, where were assembled the officers and guards of the above named commanderies on October 18th. The occasion was a lunch being tendered by the guards of Boston Commandery to the guards of St. Albans Commandery in honor of a fraternal visit of the Portland fraters.

After the appetites of the innerman had been somewhat appeased, the fun began and continued fast and furious for the next hour. With song and story and whistling solos (the last by one of the visitors) the guests were prepared to see some of the more important places of interest in and around Boston, in charge of the committee—Sir Knights Dyer, Soule and Chase.

It seemed evident that the visiting Sir Knights enjoyed their stay in Boston, for the occasion was notable in that much innocent amusement and wholesome fun was crowded into a short space of time. It is to be hoped that the many friendships dating from this visit of the Portland Knights to the Old Bay State, will be as enduring as the hills of the Pine Tree State.

THE GOLF CHALLENGE TROPHY

For the second time Boston Commandery Golf Team has successfully defended the perpetual golf trophy. This second event took place on October 19th at the Vesper Country Club at Tyngs Island. In the 18-hole golf contest the Boston Commandery team beat the Pilgrim Commandery team in foursomes 3 to 2.

Dinner was served at the clubhouse after the game, large delegations of both commanderies attending. Despite their defeat the Sir Knights of Pilgrim Commandery did the honors gracefully and with true fraternal spirit. It is now up to the Boston Commandery

team to meet Worcester County team, which is the next challenger.

The summary of the golf matches: Pilgrim versus Boston teams: C. Harry Bowler and E. S. Childs beat Dr. E. O. Tabor and C. M. Forrest, 3 and 2.

P. A. Goodale and G. A. Crithenden beat P. D. Thompson and Walter Emmott, 6 and 5.

I. W. Skilton and C. S. Waugh beat G. Armstrong and W. A. Mitchell, 8 and 7.

H. H. Parker and Dr. M. L. Alling beat H. B. Campbell and W. W. Smith, 3 and 2.

E. D. Scribner and Edgar Dixon beat S. A. Vanner and C. A. Carroll, 1 up.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY

December 30th has been chosen by the Council of Boston Commandery, on which to hold a Ladies' Night at the Boston Masonic Temple. The whole building has been reserved for that purpose.

By utilizing all the halls at the Temple, a high-class entertainment, a dance, a whist party, etc., can be carried out in such a way that each member of the Commandery and his lady can find such enjoyment as best suits their individual taste, and at the same time meet in a friendly and fraternal way a larger number of their fellow members than it has been their privilege to do before.

The main idea is to get the members together and give them a splendid evening. This will be unique, as it is proposed to have everything free to the members of the Commandery. As ladies' nights are usually run the expense limits the attendance to the few rather than the many. It is the desire of the council of the Commandery to make this a real Boston Commandery affair, open to every member without individual expense.

The members will assemble informally in Corinthian Hall at 7.30 o'clock, where greetings can be exchanged before repairing to the various halls for entertainment.